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This is a request for filing a X CONTINUATION
 DIVISIONAL CONTINUATION-IN-PART application under
X 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d), of pending prior application
Serial No. 09/255,368 filed on February 22, 1999 of
Christophe P.G. Gerald, Kenneth A. Jones, James A. Bonini, And Beth Borowsky for
Inventor(s)

DNA ENCODING MAMMALIAN NEUROPEPTIDES FF (NPFF) RECEPTORS AND USES THEREOF

Title of Invention

1. X Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, as originally filed and an affidavit or declaration verifying it as a true copy.
2. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and 1.27
 is enclosed.
 was filed in the prior application and such status is still proper and desired (37 C.F.R. §1.28(a)).
3. X The filing fee is calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS FILED, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED BY AMENDMENT

	NUMBER FILED		NUMBER EXTRA*		RATE		FEE	
					SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY
Total Claims	28-20	=	8	X	9	18	=	\$144
Independent Claims	12-3	=	9	X	40	80	=	\$720
Multiple Dependent Claims Presented:	<u>X</u> Yes <u> </u> No				135	270	=	\$270
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					TOTAL FEE		\$1844	

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4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

The issue fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.311(b).

5. Three copies of this sheet are enclosed.

6. A check in the amount of \$ 1844 is enclosed.

7. Cancel claims _____.

8. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This is a continuation division of application Serial No. _____, filed _____. --

9. 21 Sheet(s) of informal formal drawing(s) is/ are enclosed.

10. Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.

11. Priority of application No. _____ filed on _____ in _____ (country) is claimed under 37 U.S.C. §119.

The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in prior application Serial No. _____, filed _____.

12. The prior application is assigned of record to Synaptic Pharmaceutical Corporation.

13. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

14. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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(b) Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

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15. Also enclosed Express Mail Certificate of Mailing No.

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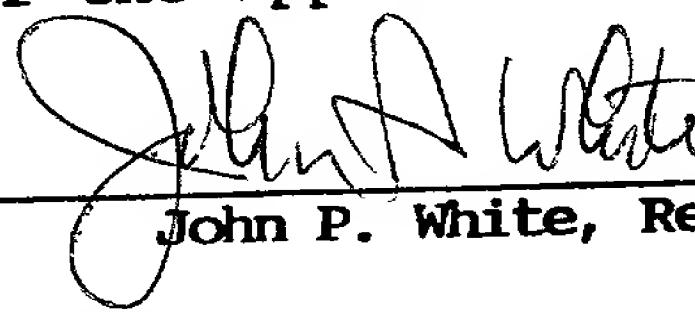
16. An extra set of figures, a Sequence Listing and a CRF Sequence Listing. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. _____ as originally filed on _____.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statement and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

May 25, 2001
Date

Signature

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SIR:

STATEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f)
FOR ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f), I hereby certify that the contents of the Sequence Listing enclosed herewith as **Exhibit A** and the contents of the computer readable form of the sequence listings are identical.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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